

Notice of Allowability

Application No.

10/536,981

Applicant(s)

UEDA ET AL.

Examiner

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All claims being allowable, PROSECUTION ON THE MERITS IS (OR REMAINS) CLOSED in this application. If not included herewith (or previously mailed), a Notice of Allowance (PTOL-85) or other appropriate communication will be mailed in due course. **THIS NOTICE OF ALLOWABILITY IS NOT A GRANT OF PATENT RIGHTS.** This application is subject to withdrawal from issue at the initiative of the Office or upon petition by the applicant. See 37 CFR 1.313 and MPEP 1308.

1. ☒ This communication is responsive to 05/31/05.
2. ☒ The allowed claim(s) is/are 1-17.
3. ☒ Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).
- a) ☒ All b) ☐ Some* c) ☐ None of the:
- ☐ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.
 - ☒ Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No. 10/536,981.
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4. ☐ A SUBSTITUTE OATH OR DECLARATION must be submitted. Note the attached EXAMINER'S AMENDMENT or NOTICE OF INFORMAL PATENT APPLICATION (PTO-152) which gives reason(s) why the oath or declaration is deficient.
5. ☐ CORRECTED DRAWINGS (as "replacement sheets") must be submitted.
- (a) ☐ including changes required by the Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948) attached
- 1) ☐ hereto or 2) ☐ to Paper No./Mail Date _____
- (b) ☐ including changes required by the attached Examiner's Amendment / Comment or in the Office action of Paper No./Mail Date _____.
- Identifying indicia such as the application number (see 37 CFR 1.84(c)) should be written on the drawings in the front (not the back) of each sheet. Replacement sheet(s) should be labeled as such in the header according to 37 CFR 1.121(d).
6. ☐ DEPOSIT OF and/or INFORMATION about the deposit of BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL must be submitted. Note the attached Examiner's comment regarding REQUIREMENT FOR THE DEPOSIT OF BIOLOGICAL MATERIAL.

Attachment(s)

1. ☒ Notice of References Cited (PTO-892)
2. ☐ Notice of Draftsperson's Patent Drawing Review (PTO-948)
3. ☒ Information Disclosure Statements (PTO-1449 or PTO/SB/08),
Paper No./Mail Date 05/31/05
4. ☐ Examiner's Comment Regarding Requirement for Deposit of Biological Material
5. ☐ Notice of Informal Patent Application (PTO-152)
6. ☐ Interview Summary (PTO-413),
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7. ☐ Examiner's Amendment/Comment
8. ☒ Examiner's Statement of Reasons for Allowance
9. ☐ Other _____

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DETAILED ACTION

Allowable Subject Matter

1. Claims 1-17 are allowed.
2. The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 1, Figure 13 of Hara et al. (US 6,985,111 B2) shows that an antenna unit adapted to be connected to an electronic device for transmitting a received radio signal to the electronic device, said antenna unit comprising an antenna 141 configured to receive a radio signal; a signal processing module 143 configured to convert the radio signal received by said antenna into signal data to be transmitted to the electronic device; a substrate 140 configured to carry said antenna and said signal processing module; and a terminal interface 129. Hara fails to teach said substrate having a circuit ground forming a ground of said signal processing module, a terminal interface configured to have an array of terminals for electrical connection with the electronic device, said terminal interface including a ground line leading from a ground terminal provided in the array of terminals to the circuit ground; an electromagnetic shield configured to surround said signal processing module so as to electromagnetically isolate the signal processing module from the antenna, said electromagnetic shield being electrically connected to the circuit ground; a case made of insulating resin, said case being configured to accommodate said antenna, said substrate, said signal processing module, said terminal interface, and said electromagnetic shield while exposing said array of terminals; wherein said antenna unit includes a noise canceller for canceling noise generated in the electronic device and

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transmitted to the circuit ground through the ground line, said noise canceller comprising a conductive stub piece one end of which is electrically connected to said electromagnetic shield and the other end of which is a free end, said stub piece having a length of about $1/4$ of a wavelength of the radio signal.

Claims 2-17 are allowed for depending claim 1.

Any comments considered necessary by applicant must be submitted no later than the payment of the issue fee and, to avoid processing delays, should preferably accompany the issue fee. Such submissions should be clearly labeled "Comments on Statement of Reasons for Allowance."

Conclusion

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Dieu Hien T. Duong whose telephone number is 571-272-8980. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday through Friday.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Timothy P. Callahan can be reached on 571-272-1740. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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